

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to liquid coating compositions that absorb near
5 infrared electromagnetic radiation. The coating compositions include a near infrared absorbing
agent, a carrier vehicle, and a solvent system. The invention is also directed to a method of
reducing the reflection of near infrared radiation from a surface in which a liquid coating
composition comprising a near infrared absorbing agent, a carrier vehicle, and a solvent system
is applied to the surface and the solvent system is removed, leaving a coating with a thickness
10 of about 0.25 mils to 2 mils. The present invention further relates to a surface having a coating
comprised of a near infrared absorbing compound and a carrier vehicle.

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